VILLAGE OF FAYETTEVILLE

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www.fayettevilleny.gov

VILLAGE NEWSLETTER



A Letter

from the Mayor

Finally winter is behind us! Thank you to the DPW CREW who did an outstanding job removing the snow, even working around the clock with over 120 hours OT during Storm Stella alone. As we transition from winter to spring, be assured that the DPW will be repairing snow damage and picking up any leftover leaves, etc. from the fall.

Spring brings not only warmer weather, it is also the beginning of new projects and great community events. Our annual Easter Egg Hunt is at the Senior Center on Saturday, April 15th at 9 a.m. Please join us! Please read this newsletter for other activities happening in the village over the next few months. We are excited to have back some favorites this summer like Symphoria, the Jazz Fest, and the

Fayetteville Festival, and we welcome a new

event "Blues & BBQ" in Limestone Plaza

sponsored by the Fire Department.

The Canal Landing Phase 4 project has been approved by the State. This project will enhance the walkway from the canal bridge to the feeder area of the Erie Canal with new lighting, paved walkways, and interpretive signs. This project has been in the works for over a year and, once the final plan is approved, we anticipate the construction would happen this fall. Our

DPW force is working on another project in house, clearing some trees in the Canal Landing Park to create better access from the park's parking lot to the parking area in the rear of Freedom of Espresso which currently is underutilized.

Another exciting project happening is our Parks Master plan that is being updated. So much has happened since our current plan was created 20 years ago, we felt it was important to update this valuable document. Our Parks Commission has been working with a consultant to update the plan. One very important aspect of this update will be conducting a survey on our current parks. Your input is very valuable to the committee's work. This survey can be done online, and will take no more than 10 minutes to fill out. You can go to our website for the link. I took a test survey myself and found it to be a great tool for this update. A special thank you to our Parks Commission for taking on this project.

The village has hired a full time codes enforcement officer recently due to the increased demand, not to mention, Richard Greene has retired after several years in this part-time role. I want to thank Richard for his dedicated service to the Village of Fayetteville. Please join me in welcoming Mike Jones to the village staff as our new codes enforcement officer. Mike comes to us from the Town of Manlius with vast knowledge in codes, this will be a benefit for all. Recently Trustee Duggleby and Trustee Randall, along with myself and Mike,

A Letter from the Mayor, continued



Do you have a CONVERTIBLE that you would like to SHOW OFF?

Consider driving during the Memorial Day Parade, Monday, May 29, 2017.

Contact the Village
Office for more
information

EARTH DAY 2017

Join Us in the Parks Saturday, April 22nd

See
IMPORTANT
REMINDERS
for more information

The Village
Parks
Commission

traveled throughout the village to review code issues and orient Mike on other projects. This exercise was a valuable tool for everyone.

We are currently formulating the spending budget for 2017/2018. As in the past I have always talked about how hard it has become to keep a stabile tax rate. Since 2002 we have been able to do this when the tax rate was \$6.69 per thousand. Today it is \$6.70 per thousand. This was accomplished with hard work from everyone involved in our budget process, village employees working with each tax dollar as if it was their own. We have reinvented the way we do business in the village. Our legal, insurance, purchasing, engineering, and procurement all go out to bid, yearly in some cases. We have changed health insurance companies to HSA to save money while maintaining sound insurance for our employees. By doing all this and more, we have been able to hold off tax increases. We lost sales tax revenue in 2010 which resulted in over \$500,000 in revenue taken away from us. NYS retirement and mandates have increased every year. Our pension plan in 2004 it was \$63,000; today it is over \$395,000 with only three new employees since 2004. Given these changes, a tax increase is now necessary.

The village was recently reviewed by the State Comptroller's office. Last year we were on the fiscal stress list for villages, but now I am proud to say in 2017 we have been taken off this list. Last year's budget had extra revenues that we were able to put into a rainy day fund. Over the years we used parts of this fund to help offset expenses to hold off on tax increases. The comptroller's office recommended we build that fund back to a level of 10-20% of our annual budget. The proposed budget doesn't take from the fund and puts the village in a better fiscal position than we have been. This year's budget has a proposed tax increase from \$6.70 to \$7.20

per thousand. This increase is due to several reasons: (1) health care costs are up \$100,000 this year and \$200,000 in the last 3 vears; (2) revenue lines have decreased this year (our court, ambulance, clerk, code, utility taxes, and other sources of revenue are all down); (3) this year's assessment went up 1/2of 1 %, the lowest increase since 2008. While putting the budget plan together we kept all village services and programs intact, yet we are continually reviewing each and every line. I will continue to work as hard as I can to keep our tax rate as low as possible without sacrificing the village we have all come to love and expect. Please call or email me if you have question or concerns.

Have a great spring and enjoy all that Fayetteville has to offer this summer!

As always, thank you for the honor of serving as your mayor.

molson@fayettevilleny.gov

Mayor Mark A. Olson



Words of Wisdom....

Happy Spring! ["Well," according to the calendar it is.]

Our Boards, Planning, Zoning, Historical, are made up of volunteers who deal with our Village zoning codes. They are responsible for making, in many cases, tough decisions. While some of their decisions are unpopular, they are charged with following a set of procedures, laws, and a format put in place by State, County and/or the Village. If there is a problem/concern with a project in front of them, the members of these boards are willing and in many instances extremely helpful, to work out a solution that is doable. Unfortunately, there are a few who blame the Board members, fellow village residents, for decisions that are not to their liking. Criticism of these people when they follow the law is unjustified. Put yourself in their shoes, but make sure to tie the laces or you might trip.

NOTES:

WELCOME to many new residents of our Village. Questions you may have regarding the Village are ably answered by our outstanding office personnel.

WELCOME to Mike Jones our newly appointed Codes Officer.

THANKS to all the Volunteers on our Boards and Committees. Your dedication, suggestions, and work are responsible for making Fayetteville a great place to live.

SOLICITORS are operating on our streets throughout the village. If you prefer not to have them knock or ring your bell, put up a "No Solicitors" sign on your door. If they do not abide by this or if they are at your residence before 9am or after 8pm or sunset, whichever is earlier, call the police. See page 7 for more details.

SEE you at the Memorial Day parade, in the parks or walking on Village sidewalks.

Fayetteville Fire Department

Open House

Join us on

Saturday,

April 29, 2017,

10 am-2 pm

See the **Insert** for details about our

Demonstrations and Activities for all ages.



Trustee Daniel Kinsella

The Fayetteville Village Parks Commission wants your input!

We are updating the Village Parks Master Plan. Our consultant has prepared an on-line survey about the Fayetteville park system. A link to the survey can be found on the Village of Fayetteville home page (http://www.fayettevilleny.gov/) and on a dedicated computer at the Fayetteville Free Library. Hard copies of the survey can also be used, and are available at the Fayetteville Village Hall and the Fayetteville Free Library.

Your participation will help ensure that Fayetteville's park improvements consider the input of the community.

The Village of Fayetteville would like to thank you in advance for taking time to complete our survey. All information will be kept confidential. This survey will take approximately 5 to 25 minutes of your time.

Fayetteville Recreation

The Fayetteville Recreation Committee is gearing up for another great summer of fun.

DID You Know...We offer several camp opportunities?

Summer Playground Camp: Three sessions to choose from for K-6th grade

Middle School Summer Musical (for incoming 5th-8th grade) Musical Theater Workshop (for incoming 8th—11th grade) NEW! Acting Workshop (for incoming 3rd—6th grade)

The Summer Program Registration begins this month. We also have a Counselor In Training (CIT) Program. Forms and information can be found on our website.

www.FayettevilleRecreation.org

Upcoming events:



Watch for us at the Memorial Day Parade!



(315) 637-4715 425 East Genesee Street



Department of Public Works

Move aside Winter Snow and make way for Spring!

Please call the DPW at 637-6065 to report potholes along with lawn and/or mailbox damage caused by Village of Fayetteville plows. The Village is not responsible for damage resulting from private contractors. We will be around as soon as the weather permits for repairs.

It is worth repeating that New York State no longer allows anyone to dispose of e-waste as trash. Please check the village website for more information or contact NYS DEC at 518-402-8788 or ewaste@dec.ny.gov.

Curbside Pick-Up Schedule

Good Friday, April 14 and Memorial Day, Monday, May 29, will not affect our regular trash and recycling schedule.

Brush and yard waste pickup begins as the weather allows. The Village does not pick up grass clippings or debris from landscaping contractors.

If you need a blue bin for recycling, you can either call us to request one or stop by the garage, 5572 North Manlius Street, between 7 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.

Thank you for your cooperation as we look forward to another beautiful spring in Fayetteville.

Fayetteville DPW

5572 North Manlius St.

Monday-Friday 7:00 am—3:30 pm 315-637-6065

Pat Massett DPW Superintendent

Remember:

Contractors are responsible for building debris created during any contracted work. Contact the DPW if you have questions regarding construction debris.

Interested in raising Chickens in Fayetteville?



Erin Hull, of Lucky 13 Beef, will lead you in the Basics of Raising Chickens

Thursday, April 27, 2017, 6:30-8:30 pm

Village Hall Board Room—Fayetteville NY

COST: \$10 per Family, all are welcome

Reserve your seat today, email Erin at lucky13beef@yahoo.com

Presented in participation with Fayetteville Deer/Tick Committee

Look for a display of resources at The Fayetteville Free Library

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Email: *fayseniorcenter2@yahoo.com* www.FaySrCtr.org

The Fayetteville Senior Center serves its members in many ways, contributing to their social well being, their productivity, their health and their continuing education. A bimonthly newsletter informs members of the daily menus and activities, the weekly special events and programs, fundraising plans, community activities and upcoming trips. *Everyone is welcome*, regardless of where you live!

Our ANNUAL APPEAL & MEMBERSHIP DRIVE is underway! Join today!

Looking to get involved? Make Your Voice Heard! Join us for our Board of Directors Annual Meeting...

Tuesday, April 25th —We will be providing a FREE lunch, at 12:00pm, of either a turkey/cheese or ham/cheese sandwich with salad, fresh fruit & dessert, for those who attend the meeting. Attendees will be able to meet with members of our Board of Directors following the meeting to discuss concerns or ask any questions you may have. We will be discussing future fundraisers and events for the center, as well as, the center's Annual Budget and election of new board members. Meeting begins at 12:30

Save the Date for these Popular Events:

May 20th - Grandma's Rummage Sale June 24th - Comedy Night July 14th - Family Out Door Movie Night August 4th - Chicken Bar-B-Q

As always — Visit our website for a calendar of weekly programs and events. www.FaySrCtr.org



PLANT SALE

The Fayetteville Beautification Committee will host it's Annual Plant Sale on <u>Saturday</u>, <u>May 13th</u> in the Towne Center Gazebo from 9AM to 3PM.

Proceeds and donations Help Support our Village Flower Pots.

Important Reminders!

- EARTH DAY 2017— Join us in keeping Fayetteville's Parks beautiful. The Village of Fayetteville will be celebrating Earth Day 2017 on Saturday, April 22nd. We encourage residents of the village to get outside and visit our local parks. We also encourage everyone to assist in litter & debris clean up, if possible. Information and material stations will be set up at various park locations in the village. They will include Canal Landing gazebo, the Ledyard Canal @ the Fayetteville Free Library, and Beard Park.
- ♦ Watch for your annual Village tax bill. Bills are mailed at the end of May. We begin accepting payments June 1st. If you do not receive your bill, contact the Village Clerk's office at 315-637-9864 right away.
- ♦ See something? Say something... if you notice anything unusual going on in the village, please let us know.
- Solicitors must have a permit to operate/work within the Village. These permits are approved by the Board of Trustees and require among other things a background check of any individuals operating under the permit. Each solicitor must carry a copy of the permit (showing his/her name) while in the village. If the individual does not have this on their person, they should be reported to the Town of Manlius Police Department.
- ♦ Visit www.fayettevilleny.gov for up to date news and information, a copy of village codes can also be found on our website under Village Laws & Codes just click on eCode360

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Levels of Giving:	Seed - \$0 - Bloom - \$1	- \$25 00 <i>-</i> \$249	Bud- \$26 - \$99 Bouquet - over \$250			
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Checks may be	e made payable to:	Village of Fayettev	ville ("Beautification Committee" on	memo line) and returned to:		

Village Hall, ,425 East Genesee Street, Fayetteville, New York 13066

Donations will be published annually in the Village Newsletter, Neighbors East and on the Village Website

Upcoming Village Events

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SPRING EVENTS

- * 4/15 Easter Egg Hunt @ Fayetteville Senior Center, 9:00 am
- * 4/27 CHICKENS 101 Lecture @ Village Hall Board Room, 6:30 pm
- * 4/29 Fayetteville Fire Department Open House, 10:00 2:00
- * 5/6 Recreation Annual Bike & Blade Sale @ Fayetteville Fire House
- * 5/7 Plant Sale @ Towne Center Gazebo, Beautification Committee
- * 5/29 · Memorial Day · Parade begins @ 9:00
 Village Offices closed for Holidays on 4/14 and 5/29

SUMMER EVENTS

- * 5/20 Grandma's Rummage Sale,@ Fayetteville Senior Center
- * 6/24 Comedy Night @ Fayetteville Senior Center
- * 7/8 SYMPHORIA @ Beard Park
- * 7/14 Family Movie Night @ Fayetteville Senior Center
- * Date TBD Jazz Fest @ Beard Park
- * 7/20 NEW! BLUES & BBQ, Limestone Plaza
- * 8/5 Chicken Bar-B-Q, Fayetteville Senior Center

Village Offices will be closed for Independence Day on 7/3 & 7/4